

Pursuant to Article 10a of the Act Amending the Higher Education Act (OG RS No 64/08) and in accordance with the Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University and the Joint Declaration of the Paris Summit for the Mediterranean (Paris, 13 July 2008), the Founders on 26 November 2008 adopted, and the General Assembly further amended at its 17th session on 11 June 2025, the

EURO-MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

This instrument shall establish a higher-education institution – the Euro-Mediterranean University.

The founding members of the higher education institution of the Euro-Mediterranean University are:

- **University of Haifa**, State of Israel, 31905 Haifa, Mount Carmel,
- **University of Maribor**, 2000 Maribor, Republic of Slovenia, 2000 Maribor, Slomškov trg 15,
- **University of Sousse**, Republic of Tunisia, 4000 Sousse, Avenue Khalifa El Karoui Sahloul,
- **University of Urbino**, Republic of Italy, 61029 Urbino, Via Saffi 2.

Article 2

The primary mission of the Euro-Mediterranean University is to contribute through its activities in the area of higher education and research to the strengthening of the intercultural dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean region and thus to the consolidation of the Barcelona process which is, in a broader sense, also integrated in the Union for the Mediterranean.

Article 3

In addition to the Founders, the founders' rights ensuing from this Memorandum may also be exercised by the cosignatories of the Foundation Charter of the Euro-Mediterranean University (hereinafter referred to as the Letter of Agreement), as well as by other higher education, research and other institutions and/or organisations, who have applied for membership with the Secretariat and whose membership has been approved by the Management Board.

The mutual relations referring to the exercise of the founders' rights which are not defined in this Memorandum may be regulated in further detail in the Statute of the Euro-Mediterranean University.

The records of the signatories of the Letter of Agreement and/or of all parties exercising the founders' rights according to the first paragraph of this article shall be kept by the Euro-Mediterranean University.

II. NAME AND SEAT OF THE INSTITUTION

Article 4

Name of the University: Evro-sredozemska univerza.

Abbreviated name of the University: EMUNI univerza.

English name of the University: Euro-Mediterranean University.

Abbreviated English name of the University: EMUNI University.

French name of the University: Université Euro-Méditerranéenne.

Abbreviated French name of the University: Université EMUNI.

The seat of the University is located in the Republic of Slovenia, in Portorož.

The business address of the University is +Kidričevo nabrežje 2, 6330 Piran. The business address may only be modified by the President of the University.

The Euro-Mediterranean University (hereinafter referred to as the University) is a legal entity.

Article 5

The University has two round-shaped seals with 35 mm diameter. The symbol of the University is situated in the centre of the seal, while the rim bears the inscription with the name of the University in:

- Slovenian and English language,
- Slovenian and French language, and
- Slovenian and Arabic language.

Both seals can be used equivalently.

Article 6

The University has a Statute by means of which its organisation and operations are regulated in further detail.

III. UNIVERSITY'S RANGE OF ACTIVITIES

Article 7

and other activities shall be defined in the Statute.

The University conducts higher education, research and other related activities. The university also engages in fostering connections among the partners of the EMUNI network.

The main activity of the University, according to the regulation of the host country regulating the standard classification of activities (hereinafter referred to as the Regulation), is:

Level code	Category code	Description (Slovenian)	Description	Parent code
5	P85.422	Visokošolsko izobraževanje	Third stage of tertiary education	P85.42

Other activities of the University, according to the Regulation, are:

Level code	Category code	Description (Slovenian)	Description	Parent code
5	M72.110	Raziskovalna in razvojna dejavnost na področju biotehnologije	Research and experimental development on biotechnology	M72.11
5	M72.190	Raziskovalna in razvojna dejavnost na drugih področjih naravoslovja in tehnologije	Other research and experimental development on natural sciences and engineering	M72.19
5	M72.200	Raziskovalna in razvojna dejavnost na področju družboslovja in humanistike	Research and experimental development on social sciences and humanities	M72.20
5	R91.011	Dejavnost knjižnic	Library activities	R91.01
5	J58.110	Izdajanje knjig	Book publishing	J58.11
5	J58.140	Izdajanje revij in druge periodike	Publishing of journals and periodicals	J58.14
5	J58.190	Drugo založništvo	Other publishing activities	J58.19
5	M74.300	Prevajanje in tolmačenje	Translation and interpretation activities	M74.30
5	N77.400	Dajanje pravic uporabe intelektualne lastnine v zakup, razen avtorsko zaščitene del	Leasing of intellectual property and similar products, except copyrighted works	N77.40
5	P85.421	Višješolsko izobraževanje	First and second stages of tertiary education	P85.42
5	P85.520	Izobraževanje, izpopolnjevanje in usposabljanje na področju kulture in umetnosti	Cultural education	P85.52
5	P85.590	Drugje nerazvrščeno izobraževanje, izpopolnjevanje in usposabljanje	Other education n.e.c.	P85.59
5	P85.600	Pomožne dejavnosti za izobraževanje	Educational support activities	P85.60
5	N82.300	Organiziranje razstav, sejmov, srečanj	Organisation of conventions and trade shows	N82.30
5	N82.990	Drugje nerazvrščene spremljajoče dejavnosti za poslovanje	Other business support service activities n.e.c.	N82.99
5	J63.120	Obratovanje spletnih portalov	Web portals	J63.12
5	M73.200	Raziskovanje trga in javnega mnenja	Market research and public opinion polling	M73.20
5	I55.900	Dejavnost dijaških in študentskih domov ter druge nastanitve	Other accommodation	I55.90
5	I56.102	Okrepčevalnice in podobni obrati	Snack bars and similar	I56.10
5	I56.103	Slaščičarne in kavarne	Sweetshops and coffee-houses	I56.10
5	I56.104	Začasni gostinski obrati	Provisory food-serving stands	I56.10

5	I56.210	Priložnostna priprava in dostava jedi	Event catering activities	I56.21
5	I56.290	Druga oskrba z jedmi	Other food service activities	I56.29
5	I56.300	Strežba pijač	Beverage serving activities	I56.30

5	G47.990	Druga trgovina na drobno zunaj prodajaln, stojnic in tržnic	Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	G47.99
5	J58.120	Prodaja oglaševalskega prostora v imenikih, adresarjih	Advertising space sales in directories, address books	J58.12
5	J58.140	Prodaja lastnega oglaševalskega prostora v revijah, periodiki	Advertising space sales in own magazines, periodicals	J58.14
5	J59.110	Prodaja oglaševalskega prostora ali časa v filmih, videofilmih, na televiziji	Advertising space or time sales in films, videos, television	J59.11
5	M73.110	Oglaševanje	Advertising	M73.11
5	M73.120	Plakatni panoji, oddajanje za oglaševanje	Billboards, advertising leasing	M73.12
5	M73.200	Raziskovanje trga in javnega mnenja	Market research and public opinion polling	M73.20

Article 8

The University may conduct study activities in any study area classified according to the Isced Classification (Unesco, 1997).

The University may directly organise the implementation of scientific, research and study programmes accredited in compliance with the regulations applying to the area of higher education in the host country.

The University shall directly organise and/or implement study programmes at all academic levels or parts thereof through its partner universities or other accredited higher education, research or other institutions and/or organisations located in the Euro-Mediterranean partner countries.

The University shall conduct research activities in all scientific research areas classified according to the Frascati classification (Unesco, 2002).

The University may also exercise public authority in accordance with the laws.

Article 9

The University shall perform its academic and other activities at its seat or/and at other locations at co-founders institutions (EMUNI academic sites). The EMUNI academic sites shall be determined by the Management Board upon the proposal of the President of the University.

The study programmes may also be implemented at the seats of partner universities and/or of other accredited higher education, research or other institutions and/or organisations from member countries of the Union for the Mediterranean, by whom the study programmes have been accredited.

IV. BODIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 10

The bodies of the University are as follows: the General Assembly, the Management Board, the Senate, the President of the University, Academic Council and the Student Council.

The tasks, responsibilities, number of members, manner of election, duration of the terms of office and the manner of decision-making of the University bodies shall be regulated in further detail in the Statute.

The members of the bodies, of their permanent or ad hoc commissions or other working bodies may be entitled to receive a reimbursement of any indispensable costs (e.g. travel costs) incurred in relation to their work.

The amount of the attendance fee and/or the expenses shall be decided on by the Management Board upon proposal of the President.

The General Assembly

Article 11

Each party exercising its founder's rights pursuant to this Memorandum shall appoint one member into the General Assembly.

The University Statute, as well as any amendments thereto shall have to be approved by the General Assembly.

The General Assembly shall also endorse the University's long-term development programme, as well as discuss the annual academic reports adopted by the Management Board of the University.

At each General Assembly session its members shall appoint two representatives who will co-chair and preside over the next Assembly meeting. Of these two representatives only one may be from a EU country.

Article 12

The General Assembly shall be convened by the Secretariat.

The meeting shall be deemed to have a quorum if attended by one third of the General Assembly members.

Management Board

Article 13

The Management Board is a University management body. .

The Management Board shall be constituted of eleven (11) members, i.e. by:
- five (5) representatives of the founding members,

- two (2) representatives of the university employees,
- three (3) representatives of the interested public, and
- one (1) representative of the students.

The term of office of the Management Board members shall be four years, except for the representative of the students, whose term of office shall be two years.

The representatives of the founding members shall be appointed by the General Assembly from among all parties exercising their founders' rights, whereby as a rule three members thereof shall be appointed from among the members of the Senate.

The two representatives of the employees shall be appointed by the University employees; whereby one shall represent the non-pedagogical and the other one the academic staff. The President of the University shall have to determine the corresponding appointing procedure by means of special rules.

The representative of the students shall be nominated by the Student Council. The nomination procedure shall be determined by means of special rules. These rules shall be submitted to the Management Board for approval.

The Management Board shall be deemed as constituted, if more than half of its members have been appointed, i.e. elected.

The members of the Management Board shall appoint a Chair and his Co-chair from among themselves.

The President of the University shall attend the sessions of the Management Board but shall hold no voting rights therein.

The first session of the Management Board shall be convened by the President of the University.

Article 14

The Management Board shall be responsible for:

1. adopting the annual work programme and the University development programme and monitoring their implementation,
2. adopting the financial plan and the annual report,
3. proposing the content of the Statute of the University and its amendments jointly with the Senate,
4. appointing and dismissing the President of the University,
5. submitting proposals and opinions on different individual issues to the General Assembly,
6. giving opinions on different issues upon request,
7. adopting decisions on tuition fees and study subscriptions,
8. adopting the Rules of Procedure for its work,

Senate

Article 15

The Senate is the expert academic body of the University, which is mainly responsible for study programme activities. The composition, responsibilities, tasks and term of office of the Senate shall be further defined within the EMUNI statute.

President of the University

Article 18

The President is the management and expert body of the University, as well as its legal representative. The requirements for candidacy, responsibilities and term of office of the President shall be further defined within the EMUNI statute.

Article 20

The Academic Council

Article 21

The Academic Council is composed of staff members who, based on an employment contract or another contractual arrangement, are engaged in teaching or research activities at EMUNI and have consented to membership.

The composition, responsibilities, tasks and term of office of the Academic Council shall be further defined within the EMUNI statute.

The Student Council

Article 22

The student body is made up of representatives of all students enrolled in study programmes organized and/or implemented by the University. The composition, responsibilities, tasks and term of office of the Student Council shall be further defined within the EMUNI statute.

Internal organisation

Article 23

The internal organisational units shall be defined in the Statute of the University by taking into due consideration that the University's organisational, technical and administrative tasks are performed by the Secretariat.

V. FUNDS, ENSURED FOR FOUNDING AND STARTING THE UNIVERSITY

Article 24

The funds for founding and starting the operations shall be ensured by the EMUNI Centre, or they may also be provided by the EMUNI Foundation, in conformity with the purpose of their foundation and their annual work programme.

VI. RESOURCES, MEANS AND TERMS FOR ACQUIRING FUNDING FOR THE UNIVERSITY'S ACTIVITIES

Article 25

As a rule the University shall obtain the funding for conducting its activities from all or any of the following:

- the EMUNI Foundation,
- international organisations,
- a separate budget heading under the budget of the Republic of Slovenia,
- the European Union budget and the budgets of its institutions and bodies,
- tuition fees and other study contributions,
- payments for the services performed,
- grants, inheritance, donations,
- and other sources.

Article 26

The University shall manage and have the power of disposal over the assets used for the performance of its activities, in accordance with the purpose for which said assets were obtained.

Following a proposal of the President of the University and upon having obtained the consent of the Management Board the University may dispose of or encumber real property acquired with the funds of the EMUNI Foundation.

The funds obtained through the sales of the real estate property referred to in the previous paragraph of this Article may be used for investments, investment maintenance and equipment.

The University shall manage and have the power of disposal over real estate property obtained from other sources in accordance with the purpose for which it was obtained.

VII. METHODS OF DISPOSING OF THE SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE AND WAYS OF ENSURING THE COVERING OF FUNDING SHORTAGE FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 27

The surplus of income over the University's expenditure shall be used for performing and developing activities in the following years.

Article 28

The manner of settling any deficit of income over expenditures of the University, accumulated in the performing of the University's activities, shall be decided on by the Management Board upon motion of the President of the University.

VIII. RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY IN LEGAL DEALINGS

Article 29

In legal dealings the University shall appear independently, in its own name and for its own account, with all rights and obligations ensuing therefrom and shall enter into legal transactions relating to the activities defined in this Memorandum and in the Statute without limitations.

The University shall be liable for the obligations referred to in the first paragraph of this Article with all its assets.

IX. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FOUNDERS FOR THE LIABILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 30

The Founders shall not be liable for the liabilities of the University.

X. MUTUAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE FOUNDERS AND THE UNIVERSITY

Article 31

The Founders and the University shall have no mutual rights and/or obligations.

XI. MUTUAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE FOUNDERS

Article 32

The Founders shall exercise their rights and obligations proportionally unless otherwise provided for in this Memorandum.

Article 33

The Founders may stipulate other mutual rights and obligations by a corresponding contract.

XII. DISSOLUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY

Article 34

The University shall be dissolved in the following cases:

- if the University's entry in the Court Register is declared null and void by means of a final decision;
- if the measure of a ban on performing its activities is imposed on the University due to its not fulfilling the conditions for performing such activities and the University does not comply with the conditions for performing such activities within the term defined by said measure;
- if it no longer fulfils the statutory conditions for establishment ;

- if the Founders adopt a Memorandum on Dissolving the University, because the need and/or the conditions for the performing of activities due to which it was established have ceased to exist;
- if it is annexed to or merged with another institute or split up into two or more institutes;
- if it is transformed into a commercial company;
- in case of bankruptcy, and
- in other cases, defined by the law of the host country or this Memorandum.

In the cases specified in the first, second and third indent of the previous paragraph the proceedings for the liquidation of the University shall be carried out according to the law of the host country.

Article 35

If the University is dissolved, its assets are transferred to the Republic of Slovenia.

XIV. TRANSITORY AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 36

All mandates that commenced under the previously valid Memorandum of Association shall continue until their originally defined expiration.

Article 37

With the entry into force of this Memorandum of Association, all provisions of the previous Memorandum of Association shall cease to be valid.

Article 38

The existing Statute of the Euro-Mediterranean University shall remain in effect until a new Statute is adopted in accordance with this Memorandum of Association. Any provisions of the existing Statute that conflict with this Memorandum shall be deemed inapplicable.

Article 39

Amendments to this Memorandum may be proposed by the Management Board or by a minimum of three (3) members of the General Assembly. All proposed amendments shall be circulated to the members of the General Assembly at least thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled meeting at which they will be discussed. The Management Board shall provide its opinion on any proposal before the General Assembly votes. Adoption of amendments requires a majority of votes cast by General Assembly members with voting rights who are present at the meeting.

Public or private entities, including countries and governmental organizations, may apply for founder status by submitting a formal application to the Secretariat. The application must outline the entity's eligibility and its proposed contributions to the University's mission. The Management Board shall review and provide its opinion on the application before it is presented to the General Assembly. Approval of new founder status requires a majority of votes cast by General Assembly members with voting rights who are present at the meeting.

